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SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
C-1, NAYAPALLI, BHUBANESWAR-751 012

NOTIFICATION

The 13th December 2013

No. 13383—XI-SYS-SPW-26/2013-SYS.—Whereas, keeping in view the objectives to provide financial support to Sports Persons/Paika Akhada Persons who are living in indigent condition, Government were pleased to make a rule called the Odisha Pension to indigent Sports Pension Rules, 2000 which came into force vide Sports & Youth Services Department Resolution No. 1013, dated the 17th March 2001 to provide Pension benefit to indigent Sports Persons in the State ;

And whereas since 2001 several amendments have been made to those rules time to time in order to meet the limitations like lowering the age criteria, like of pension amount, enhancement of annual income ceiling and relaxation of participation criteria etc. vide Notifications No. 603, Dt. 11-3-2003, No. 2134, Dt. 12-7-2006, No. 1954, Dt. 2-7-2008, No. 2260, Dt. 29-8-2011 & No. 2256, Dt. 29-8-2012, which have made the rules flexible for benefit of other Sport Persons.

Now, therefore, adhering to the Principle and the Concept of above rules and the subsequent amendments time to time made, the Government after careful consideration have been pleased to formulate the following Scheme providing Pension to indigent Sport Persons of Odisha and to regulate the procedure of application and sanction of Pension to the deserving Sports Person of the State, namely :—

## SCHEME FOR PENSION TO INDIGENT SPORTS PERSON OF ODISHA

### 1. Short Title and Commencement :

- (i) The scheme may be called the Pension to Indigent Sports Person of Odisha.
- (ii) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

### 2. The Objective of the Scheme :

To provide financial support to Sports Persons/Paika Akhada Persons who are living in indigent conditions.

### 3. Definition :

In this scheme unless the context otherwise requires :

- (a) Scheme means : Scheme for grant of pension to indigent sports person of Odisha.
- (b) Committee means : Scrutiny Committee and Selection Committee constituted under the scheme.
- (c) Pension means : Monthly pension to the indigent sports persons including Paika Akhada person.
- (d) Chairperson means : Chairpersons of Scrutiny Committee and Selection Committee under the scheme.
- (e) Government means : Department of Sports & Youth Services, Government of Odisha.
- (f) Year means : Financial Year.

### 4. Eligibility :

To be eligible for the pension a person should be :

- (i) He/she should be a permanent resident of State of Odisha.
- (ii) At least fifty year of age, if a male and at least forty year of age, if a female provided that the age-limit in either case may be relaxed by maximum period of 10 years, if the sports person has been suddenly incapacitated by an injury or a physical handicap or suffering from a serious ailment resulting premature withdrawal from the active Sports/ Paika Akhada. (Medical Board Certificate is mandatory for this case). The age will be determined as on the date of application. For PWD Sports Persons both for Male & Female, their age should be 40 years.
- (iii) Not having income from whatever source exceeding to Rs. 50,000 (Rupees fifty thousand) only per annum (Income Certificate from the Revenue authority for the preceding year of the application) shall be treated as an authentic source.
- (iv) Should be free from conviction in any criminal offence.
- (v) In case of sports events should have represented/participated at least once in Sr./Jr. level National Championship in the recognized 39 approved sports disciplines including Sports for Persons with Disability as in Annexure-I. But in case of Paika Akhada, the applicant should have participated at least 5 times either in State level or in District level competitions approved by the State level agency/District Council of Culture, as the case may be, or else 5 time taking together competition/Mahastoba held in both State & District level organization by the reputed/leading organization/Institution at the State/ District level.
- (vi) However, sports persons found positive for use of drugs banned by the International Olympic Committee in any laboratory accredited by International Olympic Committee will not be eligible for the pension. An undertaking to this effect shall be furnished by the applicant at the time of application. Suppression of facts may entail legal action.

## **5. Applications :**

In the month of April/May each year, application for sports pension including surviving spouse of the deceased pensioners if any shall be invited from the intending persons by the Department of Sports & Youth Services, Government of Odisha in the prescribed format as in Annexure-II or Annexure-III as may be applicable under the recommendation of District Collectors of the concerned District through open advertisement in leading Odiya daily of all Odisha edition and the last date of receipt of application shall be 31st August of every year. This apart applications received in due course shall also be entertained during the year for consideration as per the merit basing upon gravity of the case. Received applications are to be duly stamped and recorded in a register. Online applications are also be accepted and considered.

## **6. Pension to Surviving Spouse :**

Pension in favour of surviving spouse of the deceased pensioners shall be sanctioned as a matter of course on receipt of application duly supported with death certificates, legal heir certificate etc. Received applications are to be duly stamped and reconsidered in a register. Online applications are also to be accepted and considered.

## **7. Quantum of Pension :**

The pension of each pensioner is Rs. 2,000 (Rupees two thousand) only per month. However, Sports & Youth Services Department may enhance the pension amount from time to time with the concurrence of Finance Department.

## **8. No. of Pensioner :**

The Department of Sports & Youth Services shall having regard to the availability of funds, determine the no. of pensioners to be added each year. Determination of new cases should be on the basis of 70% from sports category and 30% from Paika Akhada category.

## **9. Year :**

The pension shall be for the financial year

## **10. Scrutiny of Application :**

A Committee with the following members will scrutinize all the applications and place only the valid applications before the Selection Committee for consideration :

(a) Director, Sports & Youth Services, Odisha	..	Chairman
(b) Sports Consultant of the Department	..	Expert Member
(c) Asst. Director, Sports	..	Member
(d) Concerned Branch Officer of the Sports Pension Wing.	..	Member-Convener

### 11. Selection Committee :

The sports pension under this scheme shall be decided by a Committee constituted by the Sports & Youth Services Department, Odisha. The committee will be constituted for a two years term with the following members :—

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|-------|--|----|-----------------|
| (i)   | Principal Secretary to Government/<br>Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary to Government<br>Sports & Youth Services Department. | .. | Chairman        |
| (ii)  | Outstanding sports persons of the State/<br>Secretary, Odisha Olympic Association.   | .. | Member          |
| (iii) | Director, Sports & Youth Services  | .. | Member-Convenor |

The Committee may sit as many times as possible in a year to consider and recommend for sanction of pension in favour of the deserving persons to the Minister.

### 12. Mode of Payment :

The Drawing & Disbursing Officer of Sports & Youth Services Department shall on receipt of sanction order will draw the amount from the Treasury and facilitate payment direct to beneficiary through Bank Account.

### 13. Life Certificate :

In the month of January each year, the pensioners shall furnish a Life Certificate in the form as in Annexure-IV by his/her personal appearance before the District Sports Officer concerned of the District which will in turn be forwarded to Sports & Youth Services Department by the District Sports Officer to reach by 10th February of each year for renewal of sanction of their pension for drawal and payment.

In case of non-receipt of life certificates from the DSOs by 10th February, Director, Sports & Youth Services will cause an enquiry in the matter within a month.

### 14. General :

The Sports & Youth Services Department, Odisha shall prepare an Identity Card for the pensioner as in Annexure-V.

The above Scheme supersedes all previous notifications in this regard.

By order of the Governor

SASWAT MISHRA

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government

**LIST OF RECOGNISED SPORTS DISCIPLINES  
ELIGIBLE FOR SPORTS PERSON PENSION**

(1) Athletics, (2) Basketball, (3) Badminton, (4) Boxing, (5) Cricket, (6) Cycling, (7) Football, (8) Gymnastics, (9) Judo, (10) Hockey, (11) Kabadi, (12) Kho-Kho, (13) Lawn Tennis, (14) Swimming, (15) Table Tennis, (16) Volleyball, (17) Wrestling (Indian style & International style), (18) Weight lifting, (19) Body Building, (20) Handball, (21) Archery, (22) Chess, (23) Rifle Shooting, (24) Yoga, (25) Yachting, (26) Ball Badminton, (27) Karate-Do, (28) Base Ball, (29) Throw Ball, (30) Power lifting, (31) Tenni koit, (32) Tae-kwon Do, (33) Roller skating, (34) Softball, (35) Sepak Takraw, (36) Rowing & Scrolling, (37) Netball, (38) PWD Sports, (39) Wushu.

In these above 39 disciplines, the applicant should have represented the State in Senior Level or Junior Level at least one in his/her sports life.

Martial Arts (Such as Paika Akhada & other Akhadas), the applicants should have participated in the State Level Competition or District Level Competition at least five times in his/her life.

**APPLICATION FORM****APPLICATION FORM FOR PENSION TO INDIGENT SPORTS PERSONS**

1. Name :
2. Present Address :  
Village :  
Post :  
District :  
Phone No. :
3. Permanent Address :  
Village :  
Post :  
District :
4. Educational Qualification (Attach attested xerox copy of the Certificate).
5. (A) Date of Birth :  
(Attached attested Xerox copy of the Certificate issued by the School authority in case of literate applicant & Voter I. Card etc., in case of illiterate applicant).  
(B) Age as on 01-04-20.....

<p>Attach three recent passport size photographs</p>
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Year

Month

Day

6. Achievement in the field of Sports & Games/  
Paika Akhada :  
  
(Applicant should have represented/  
participated in the National Level Competition/  
Championship minimum once in the  
recognized sports discipline approved by the  
State Government. But in case of  
Paika.Akhada Category the applicant should  
have participated minimum five times in State  
Level/District Level Paika Akhada Competition.  
Attested xerox copies of the Certificates/  
testimonials should be attached).
7. Details on account of physical disability during  
course of his/her sporting career.  
Attach attested photo copies of Certificates  
issued by the State Medical Board.

8. Present occupation and details of annual income of the applicant (Attach annual income certificate in original issued by the Tahasildar/ Competent authority).
9. List of dependent family member. Their relation with the applicant with age, occupation details etc.
10. Details of credentials awarded by the Government/Non-Government Organization in the field of Sports & Games/Paika Akhada (Attach attested photo copies documents thereto).
11. Whether the applicant has availed any assistance/support from the Central Government/State Government in such similar scheme (Attach photo copy document).
12. Whether the applicant is convicted by the Court of Law in Civil or Criminal case. If so, attach photo copy proof).
13. Whether the applicant is found positive for use of drugs banned by the International Olympic Committee in any laboratory accredited by International Olympic Committee. If so supporting documents may be submitted. If not an undertake to this office shall be submitted.
14. Details of S.B.I. S.B. Accounts where the pension amount will be credited in case of sanction. Photo copy of State Bank of India Passbook should be submitted.
15. Any other information/details pertaining to the application.

The particulars/information furnished are true to the best of my knowledge & belief. If any such information will be found false and incorrect, I shall be liable for punishment as per law.

Date :

Place :

Signature of the applicant

## RECOMMENDATION BY THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR

It is hereby state that Shri/Smt. ....  
Vill. .... Post. .... P.S. ....  
District ..... who has submitted the details in the application are found  
correct after due verification and the same is forwarded/recommended to Sports & Youth Services  
Department for consideration by the Pension Sanction Committee.

Date :

Signature of the Collector

Name

Place :

Seal



## APPLICATION FORM

**PENSION IN FAVOUR OF SPOUSES OF THE DECEASED SPORTS PENSIONER**

1. Name of the Alive Wife/Husband :
2. Relation with the deceased sports pensioner. :
3. Name of the deceased sports pensioner. :
4. Present Address of the applicant :  
 Vill. :  
 Post :  
 District :  
 Phone No. :
5. Date of death of the deceased pensioner (With attested photo copy of the Death Certificate)

Signature of the applicant

*N.B.*—Applicant should attach his/her life certificate/legal heir certificate and bank account details along with the application.

## ANNEXURE-IV

**LIFE CERTIFICATE**

Certified that Shri/Smt. ....  
 F/o .....  
 W/o .....  
 Village/At. .... Post .....  
 Via. .... P.S. ....  
 Dist. .... now drawing sportsman pension/family indigent sports persons from Government of Odisha is alive today.

Signature of the pensioner

District Sports Officer  
 with Seal

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
SPORTS & YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
C-1, NAYAPALLI, BHUBANESWAR-751 012

Sports Pension Identity Card

No. \_\_\_\_\_, Dated \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) Name of Pensioner :
- (ii) Father's Name/Mother's Name :
- (iii) Full address
- (iv) Age of the pensionholder on the date of sanction with Date of Birth :
- (v) Category (Sports/Paika Akhada)  
Name of the Sports discipline to be mentioned.

Via :

Post :

Dist. :

Pin :

Signature/Thumbs impression  
of Pensioner

Director, Sports & Youth Services

*N.B.*—A register shall also be maintained in the Sports & Youth Services Department

1. Pension shall not be sanctioned twice to the same person.

2. Cancellation of pension

The pension sanctioned in favour of indigent sports person shall be cancelled.

- (i) On his/her death, or
- (ii) On the satisfaction of the Government that the information furnished in the application as placed with the Committee was either erroneous or incomplete, or
- (iii) On the determination of the Government that the pensioner has indulged in activities pre-judicial to public interest/order.